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Sir:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2001.

Applicant elects Group I, for claims 1-26, drawn to a composition.

The Examiner identifies patentably distinct species of the invention in claim 3. Applicant hereby elects fatty acids, in claim 3 and elects as the fatty acid oleic acid.

With respect to the election of species A, the following is a list of claims readable on the election of species A in accordance with the above: Claims 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12-26.

With respect to the election of species B identified by the Examiner, Applicant hereby elects nitrogen in claim 12 and further elects urea as the nitrogen containing species.

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The claims readable on this election of species B are as follows: Claims 1-12, 14, and 16-25. ✓

Although Applicant has restricted in accordance with the Examiner's request, and elected species A and B as requested, Applicant submits that the generic claims are allowable, and will request a claim of appropriate scope during prosecution of this application.

If the Examiner has any questions, she is invited to contact the undersigned at (818)710-2788.

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Respectfully submitted,



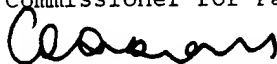
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